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*"The Home of Distinctive Plants"*

PRESENTS ITS FAMOUS COLLECTION OF

TREE

Peonies



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## The Colorful History of the Tree Peony

The Tree Peonies are native to the mountains of China and were introduced into Korea by the Jesuit priests. From Korea they were taken to Japan and early in the nineteenth century plants found their way to Europe. In America we have plants originating in Japan and in Europe, distinct in form because of their different sources.

The Japanese worked with the Moutan species, single to semi-double flowers with golden stamens and produced flowers with a wide range of colors, from white to deep purple including shades of pink and red. Some have a blotch at the base of the petals and all face upward.

The "European Type" originated from Banksi species, a fully double form with a crook in the stem at the base of the flower. Lutea hybrids came from the wild Lutea species and were developed in France to give us large handsome flowers of yellow and bronze shades.



**Single Tree Peony Flower**

### How to Grow Tree Peonies

Tree peonies are woody deciduous shrubs, not trees, and require the average space of a spring flowering shrub. Select a sunny location, well-drained and protected from harsh prevailing winds. In very warm localities shade during the hottest part of the day is desirable.

Prepare the planting site thoroughly with loose composted soil to permit optimum root growth and plant as indicated in the line sketches on the back of this folder.

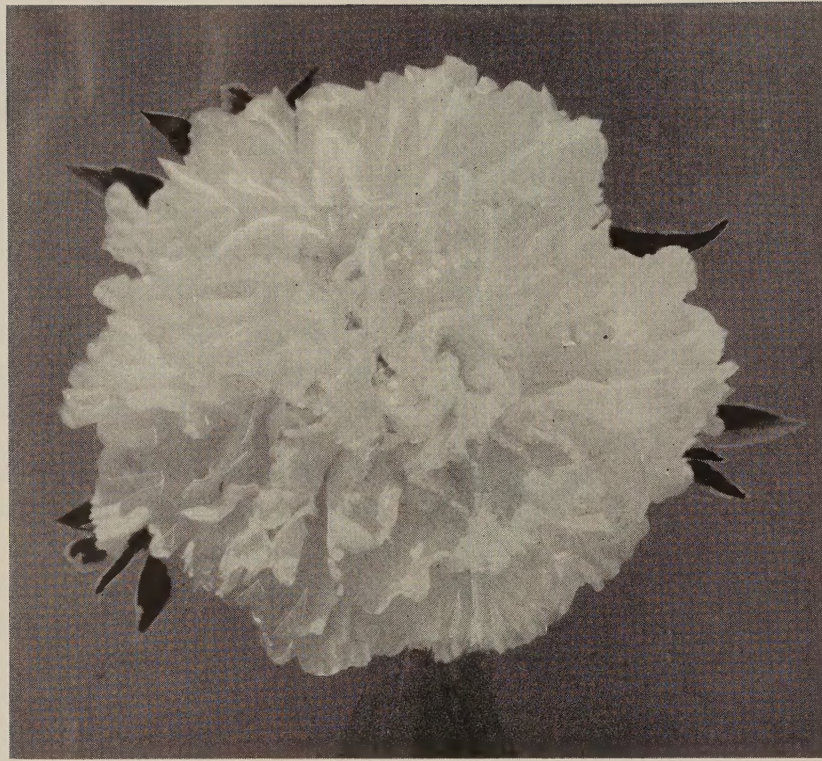
Grafted plants are grown on herbaceous peony roots and the tree peony portion eventually develops its own root system. This is a long, slow, expensive process but results in suckerless plants. Other methods of propagation are by divisions and from seed.

Bare root plants should be set out in the fall; stock in containers may be planted anytime. Keep plants well watered and feed with commercial fertilizer in spring. Cut back to good live eyes each spring just before growth starts.



**Semi-Double Tree Peony Flower**





**Fully-Double Tree Peony Flower**

## **JAPANESE SEEDLINGS**

All plants in this group have bloomed and have been carefully labelled as to type of flower and color. When ordering, please specify your preference for single, semi-double or fully double flowers and the color you desire. Plants are at least seven and eight years old and priced according to size and quality of flowers.

**JAPANESE SEEDLINGS** with Pink, Rose or Purple flowers. \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00 and \$12.50.

**JAPANESE SEEDLINGS** with Red or White flowers. These are quite rare and only a limited stock is available. \$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00.

**MOUTAN.** An original Japanese species, useful for experimental plantings where Tree Peonies have not been grown. The single flowers are vivid purplish-red showing golden stamens. \$3.50 and \$5.00.

## **SELECTED JAPANESE SEEDLINGS**

These plants are grown from selected plants in our large block of Japanese seedlings. They are selected for exceptional flowers in these shades — Rose, Red and White — and most of them are semi-double or fully double.

All plants offered in this group are two- and three-year grafts and should bloom in your garden a year after planting. \$3.50 and \$5.00 each.

## **EUROPEAN TYPE**

These have large fully double blooms resembling flowers of the herbaceous type. Plants are supplied as divisions from specimen plants and will bloom same season as planted. Follow planting suggestions recommended for seedling peonies. Price depends on size of division: \$5.00, \$7.50 and \$10.00.

**BANKSI.** Double flesh pink.

**REINE ELIZABETH.** Rose salmon.



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## YELLOW LUTEA HYBRIDS

Varieties resulting from crosses of Lutea and Moutan species; flowers are fully double and predominantly yellow. Blooms later than Japanese and European types. Plants are supplied as grafts capable of blooming the year after planting.

**ALICE HARDING.** Large fully double flowers are pure yellow, fragrant. \$10.00 each.

**CHROMATELLA.** Fragrant fully double flowers are sulphur yellow edged orange-salmon. \$7.50 each.

**L'ESPERANCE.** Semi-double blooms are clear primrose yellow shaded buff, blotched carmine at base of petals; fragrant. \$10.00 each.

**MME. LOUIS HENRY.** Single fragrant flowers are a blend of buff and pink with shades of salmon and deep yellow; purple mark at base of petals. \$10.00 each.

**SATIN ROUGE.** Big flowers are fully double and very fragrant. Broad satiny petals are deep red. \$10.00 each.

**SOUVENIR DE MAXIME CORNU.** Large fully double flowers are exceptionally fragrant. Deep yellow petals are suffused with copper. \$10.00 each.

## SPECIMEN PLANTS

We have a splendid assortment of specimen plants for those who want the pleasure of enjoying a mature peony right from the start. Prices up to \$25 each.

## TREE PEONY SEEDS

We have a limited supply of seeds from our big collection of Japanese flower types. Seeds are selected only from the best types and colors. Pkt. of 25 seeds, \$2.00; 50 seeds \$3.00; 100 seeds \$5.00. Postpaid.

**Growing Instructions:** Use a mixture of  $\frac{1}{3}$  peat,  $\frac{1}{3}$  sand and  $\frac{1}{3}$  loam in a well-drained planting box. Set the seeds  $\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 inch deep and leave undisturbed for two years (many seeds will not germinate the first year). Transplant to permanent location fall after germination. In cold climates, mulch beds to prevent heaving.

# HOW TO PLANT PEONIES



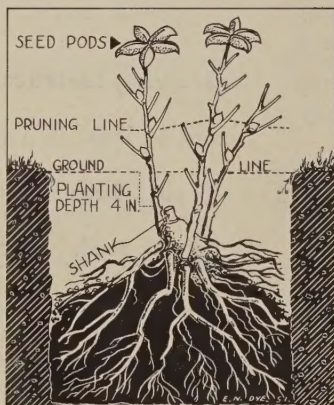
This is a grafted plant on herbaceous peony root. Note new roots developing from the Tree Peony stock. This is 3-year graft.



This seedling plant is about seven years old, as dug from the field.



Same grafted plant pruned and set in planting hole. Soil must be friable for good root growth. Note planting depth.



Same seedling set in hole. Note planting depth and pruning line.

## OTHER DOMOTO PLANT SPECIALTIES

Domoto's is truly "The Home of Distinctive Plants."

**CAMELLIAS.** One of the largest collections on the Pacific Coast, home of "Flowerwood" (Plant Pat. Applied For), our own discovery.

**ORIENTAL MAGNOLIAS.** A complete range of types and colors in sizes from "easy-to-ship-by-mail" to big specimens.

**TRANSVAAL DAISIES.** Field-grown plants of our own selected strain of double-flowered Transvaals in popular pastel shades.

**SPECIMEN TREES.** Boxed and ready for delivery to your garden for immediate effects.